

IN THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1-13. (Cancelled)

14. (New) A sled for mounting a shift assembly to a vehicle comprising:

a first surface;

a second surface formed on an opposite side of the sled from said first surface and opposing a floor pan of the vehicle;

a first aperture receiving a gear shift assembly including a first operating cable, said first operating cable extending between said second surface and said floor pan and attached to a shift lever operating cable of the vehicle;

a second aperture receiving a transfer case shift assembly including a second operating cable, said second operating cable extending between said second surface and said floor pan and attached to a transfer case operating cable of the vehicle; and

a third aperture receiving a brake lever assembly including a third operating cable, said third operating cable extending between said second surface and said floor pan and attached to a brake lever operating cable of the vehicle.

15. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, wherein said gear shift assembly is an automatic transmission gear shift assembly.

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16. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, wherein said gear shift assembly is a manual transmission gear shift assembly.

17. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, further comprising a console mounting bracket ~~fixedly attached~~ mounted to said first surface of the sled.

18. (New) The sled according to Claim 17, further comprising a console member mounted to said console mounting bracket.

19. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, further comprising an instrument panel mounting bracket mounted to said first surface of the sled.

20. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, wherein said sled system is assembled as a module.

21. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, further comprising a plurality of fasteners that fix the gear shift assembly, transfer case shift assembly, and brake lever assembly to the sled.

22. (New) The sled according to Claim 21, wherein each of said gear shift assembly, said transfer case shift assembly, and said brake lever assembly include a flange for receiving said fasteners.

23. (New) The sled according to Claim 14, further comprising mounting holes utilized to mount the sled to said floor pan.

24. (New) A method comprising:

- mounting a gear shift assembly to a sled;
- mounting a transfer case shift assembly to said sled;
- mounting a brake lever assembly to said sled;
- attaching a first operating cable of said gear shift assembly to a gear shift operating cable of a vehicle between said sled and a floor pan of said vehicle;
- attaching a second operating cable of said transfer case shift assembly to a second operating cable of said vehicle between said sled and said floor pan;
- attaching a third operating cable of said brake lever assembly to a third operating cable of said vehicle between said sled and said floor pan; and mounting said sled to said floor pan.

25. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said gear shift assembly includes engaging fasteners with a flange of said gear shift assembly and said sled.

26. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said gear shift assembly includes positioning said gear shift assembly within a first aperture of said sled.

27. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said transfer case assembly includes engaging fasteners with a flange of said transfer case assembly and said sled.

28. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said transfer case assembly includes positioning said transfer case assembly within a second aperture of said sled.

29. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said brake lever assembly includes engaging fasteners with a flange of said brake lever assembly and said sled.

30. (New) The method of Claim 24, wherein said mounting said brake lever assembly includes positioning said brake lever assembly within a third aperture of said sled.